Dear Harry, 6/23/91

Whenever I could find a few moments I read your first chapter, "The Kennedy Presidency." The ~~cocpet~~ concept is fine, some of it is excellent, some is unclear, there are some mistakes or various kinds, ranging upward from a few misspellings but it is well wroth the work it requires.

It may interest you to know that I had pretty much the same idea and researched it in a different way 26 years ago. I have no idea where that research now is. I've made mention of the book I was working on then, "Tiger to Ride."

It is not possible for me to take the additional time to explain all the small things I caught in this one interrupted reading so please don't ask it. What - have done is use a highlighter as I read and what I marked to call to your attention ranges from a single letter to whole sentences, sometimes indicting the underlying thought, sometimes indicatien NG needed clarification, etc.

Give these markings the thought you can and try to determine what I am calling to your attention.

As I now recall, on occasion it is factual error. Sometimes over-simplification, sometimes ambiguity - a range of reasons.

Sometimes you are getting at the right thing in what I regard as the wrong way.

I can't recall all the many things now.

But what you have is an excellent beginning for something that needs to be said and understood and is, as I say above, well worth the time to perfect it and what also can be important, protect it from criticism that could undermine acceptability of what it says.

On page 18 you make two references to what Mansfield said, one to LIFE 8/7/70, the other to the Wash. Post of 8/3/70. If you can send me copies I'd appreciate it. I am currently having an argument with someone over this precise point.

I can't find my research now but if you feel you have to, you can find additional confirmation for this point. I do not think you need it.

I see one highlighting on this page. The last sentence in the penult graf needs rewriting for clarification. I think that what you intend saying is that "they constituted a relatively large paramilitary organized, trained and ~~equpi~~equipped by the CIA, which also selected its leaders and the plans for their unsuccessful invasion.

Good luck with it! Ditto for Introducetion, also enclosed.

Some of the writing is quite good.

Sincerely,

Harold